(c) whether there is enforcement clause in the contract; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) IRCON International Ltd. (IRCON) has not entered into any contract to lay double railway line in Malaysia. However, a Letter of intent has been issued to IRCON for the works of double tracking of Railway line between Ipoh Padang Besar. Formal agreement incorporating various provisions of the contract has not yet been signed.

(b) Completion period is likely to be 5 years. Total route length for the work is 340 km. Electrification is not in the scope of work of IRCON.

(c) and (d) Do not arise in view of (a) above.

Trains during summer vacations

† 4044, PROF. R.B.S. VARMA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to increase the number of trains or to run more trains in the country during the summer vacations;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what other special arrangements "for trains is being made for the convenience of passengers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) and (b) It is proposed to run about 3240 Summer Special Trains during Summer 2002. The All India Summer Specials Time Table indicating the details of the trains has been published and released in February 2002

(c) In addition to the special trains, the existing trains are also being augmented where operationally feasible to cater to the extra rush during summer vacations.

More facilities in trains

† 4045. SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

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† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi,

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are considering to provide more facilities in trains:

(b) if so. the details thereof and in which trains more facilities are proposed to be provided; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL):(a)Yes, Sir.

(b) New Jan Shatabdi type trains are planned to provide for the second class passengers some of the upper class like features including improved ergonomic chairs, passenger compartment with end doors, modular toilets, sub pantry. Rail marts, noise insulation, new type of windows with sliding glass etc. Second class passengers will also be provided meals, the cost of which will be inclusive in the fare. One such train has already been introduced and 15 more shall be introduced during the current year.

In addition, the following measures have been taken/planned for improvement of facilities on trains:

(i) Fitment of modem UIC type vestibules.'

(ii) Provision of modular toilets which are user friendly.

(iii) Providing polyvinyl flooring inside coaches.

(iv) Provision of 110 Volts electrical fittings in place of conventional 24 Volts.

(v) Pest control in all coaches through specialized agencies.

(vi) Providing.thorough cleaning facilities at nominated stations under "cleaning train station scheme".

(vii) Use of high pressure jet cleaning plants at maintenance depot and mobile jet cleaning plants at Enroute stations.

(viii) Mid-life rehabilitation of coaches of 12—15 years age group.

(ix) Renovation of rakes in-between overhauls.

(x) Monitoring of passenger amenity fittings through "Zero Missing Fitting" drive and surprise checks.

Apart from this, new technology LHB type coaches have been introduced as Lucknow Shatabdi train. These coaches have world class amenities like screw less fibre reinforced plastic interiors, modular toilets with control discharge system which does not dirty the station area, electronic taps and toilet fittings, environment control air-conditioning, ergonomic seats, superior ride comfort, noise insulation etc. Indigenous production of such coaches at Rail Coach Factory, Kapurthala has commenced already.

(c) Does not arise.

Construction of ROBs and RUBs

4046. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of rail over-bridges (ROBs), rail under-bridges (RUBs) proposed to-be constructed during this year;

(b) the number of proposals received from the Tamil Nadu Government in this regard, during the last five years; and

(c) the details of ROBs and RUBs constructed and pending during the last five years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) Total Nos. of 341 works of ROBs/RUBs sanctioned on cost sharing basis on Indian Railways during the annual Works Programmes are at different stages of planning and execution during the current year. Railway-wise distribution is given below:—

SI N,	Railway	No. of works
1	CR	022
.2	ER	04*
3	NR	029
4	NER	009
5	NFR	007
6	SR	125
7	SCR'	056
8	SER	032
9	WR	013
	Total	341